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- 1. US 5,785,493
- 2. EP 0 416 954 A1 (in English)
- 3. US 5,658,125
- 4. US 2,939,626
- 5. DE 196 53 217 A1 (its English equivalent application is US 5,961,281)
- 6. US 5,185,217
- 7. KAWECKI: "Thermal response turbine shroud study," Technical Report AFAPL-TR-79-2087, 1999, pages 8-12, Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Group, Florida (in English)
- 8. WO 99/28598 A1 (with English abstract)

Documents 1-4 were cited in the International Search Report. Documents 5-8 were cited in the German Office action.

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